

Eileen Swan, Executive Director New Jersey Highlands Council 100 North Road (Route 513) Chester, New Jersey 07930

Re: Bedminster Township Petition for Municipal Plan Conformance

Dear Ms. Swan,

The Township of Bedminster is hereby submitting the required Preservation Area petition to meet the December 8th, 2009 deadline for Municipal Plan Conformance, pursuant to the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act and the Highlands Regional Master Plan.

The Township has completed six of the seven conformance modules required to achieve Plan Conformance and will not be submitting Module 3, as COAH has recently granted substantive certification of Bedminster's housing element and fair share plan. Thus, the enclosed petition includes:

- 1. Submittal Checklist
- 2. Preservation Area Resolution #2009-152 approved on November 12, 2009
- 3. Record of Public Involvement
- 4. 2009 Plan conformance grant program documents Modules 4 through 6
- 5. List of Current municipal planning and regulatory documents
- 6. Municipal self assessment report and
- 7. Highlands Implementation Plan and Schedule

Bedminster anticipates an ongoing dialog with the Highlands Council as we work towards full Plan Conformance and we look forward to working with the Highlands Council through the next stage in the conformance process. Should you require any additional information or have any questions or comments, please advise.

Respectfully,

Robert F. Holtaway, Mayor

Ce: Judith A. Sullivan, Township Clerk
Robert Bzik, Somerset County Planning Director
Donna Alessi, Acting Planning Board Secretary